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Title

Method For Making Articles From Nanoparticulate Materials

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## AMENDMENT C

Sir:

In response to the Office action of December 20, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## In the Specification:

Please replace the abstract with the following:

A method of fabricating nanostructure bodies by integrating the steps of attriting precursor nanometer-sized particulate materials, desorbing the exposed surfaces of the attrited nanoparticulates, adsorbing a surfactant on at most 50% of the desorbed surfaces and dispersing the surfactant-coated nanoparticulates in an organic matrix to form a homogeneous thermoplastic compound from which green bodies are shaped, dewaxed and sintered.